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1. Detailed plans for the electrification of the Polish railways were completed in December 1953. The first efforts at electrifying certain sections of selected lines under the new plan of development began in January 1954, but the Ministry of Railways was experiencing many difficulties and was falling behind the time schedule set by the plan. 25X1
2. Poland has a railway rolling stock inventory of about 37,000 cars in operating condition but needs about three times this number to satisfy her industrial and passenger requirements. In 1953, because of the unavailability of rolling stock to move coal and paper to Gdynia in time for contract fulfillment, Poland lost out on some profitable compensation trade deals with Western countries.

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